



# Senate Bill 630 Aquatic Invasive Plant Surveillance and Rapid Response Grant Award

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## Recommended Action

# **Authorize a Senate Bill 630 Aquatic Invasive Plant Surveillance and Rapid Response Grant**

Tahoe Resource Conservation District – Invasive Plant Surveillance and Rapid Response (\$250,000)

# Background

## The Lake Tahoe Science and Lake Improvement Account

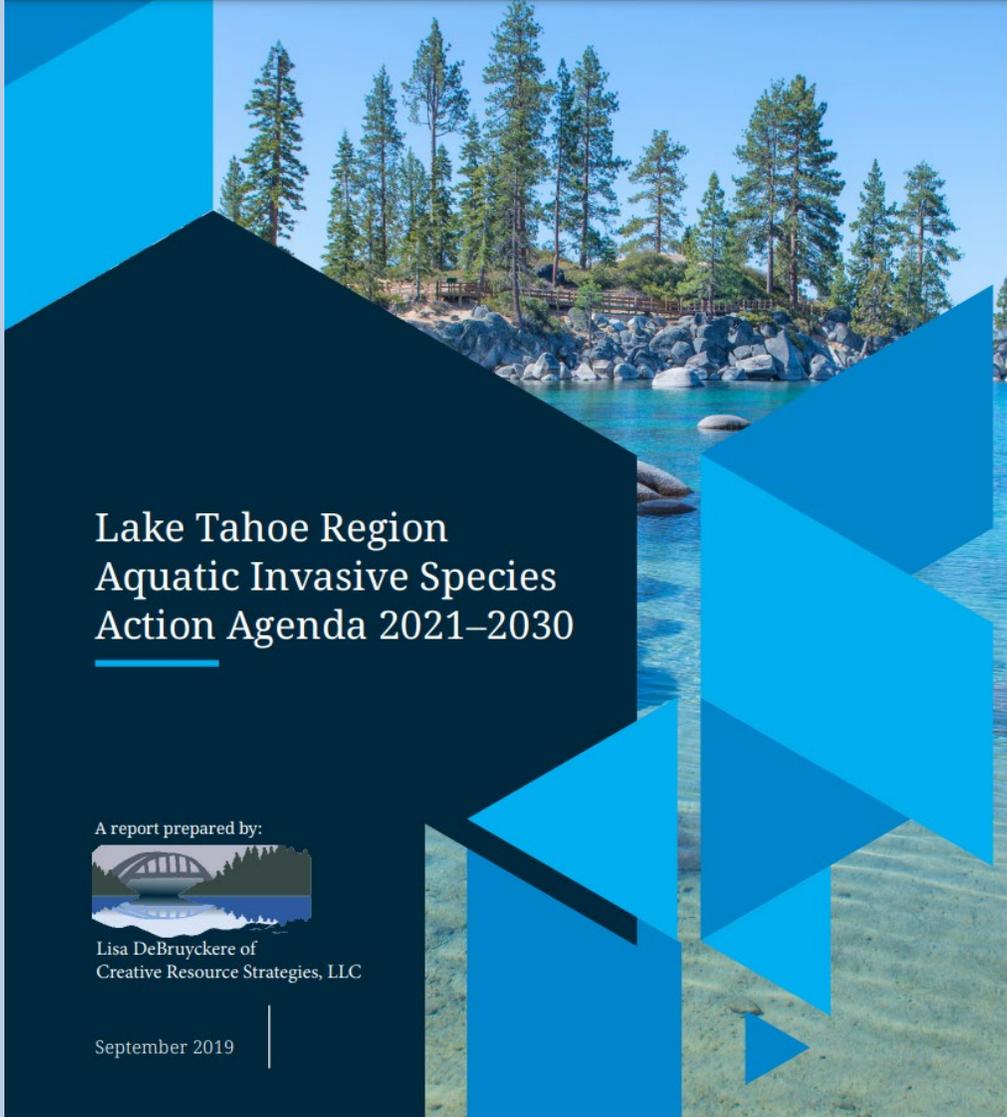
Dedicated revenue supporting:

- Tahoe Science Advisory Council (CNRA)
- Nearshore Research and Monitoring (Lahontan)
- Aquatic Invasive Species Control and Lake Access Improvement (Conservancy)





# Background

The cover of the report features a scenic photograph of a lake with a rocky shoreline and a forest of tall evergreen trees in the background. The image is overlaid with several large, semi-transparent blue geometric shapes, including triangles and polygons, which create a modern, abstract design. The text is centered on a dark blue background that also contains these geometric shapes.

## Lake Tahoe Region Aquatic Invasive Species Action Agenda 2021–2030

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# Grant Need

## Eurasian Water Milfoil



## Curlyleaf Pondweed



# Grant Location and Activities



## Surveillance

- Previously treated sites
- Known hotspots

## Rapid response

- Hand pulling
- Diver-assisted suction
- Bottom barriers





# Grant Benefits

- Reduce the threat of AIS spread
- Improve water quality
- Restore native fish habitat
- Enhance recreation





# Recommendation

Staff recommends adoption of Resolution 23-03-02 authorizing staff to award a grant to the Tahoe Resource Conservation District for up to \$250,000 to conduct aquatic invasive plant surveillance and rapid response activities along the nearshore of Lake Tahoe, and making environmental findings and adopting a mitigation monitoring and reporting program.